

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
January 3, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at the Jasper Arts Center with President Gerald Gagne presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Gerald Gagne, Robin Norris, Don Routson, Michael Jones, Myra Schuetter, Sylvia Metzger, Don Weisheit, and Pat Thyen. **Commission Members Absent:** Ann Hilgefert and Doug Abbett. **Staff Members Present:** Darla Blazey, Doreen Lechner, Donna Schepers, Kit Miracle, and Kelley Leuck. **Regional Services Coordinator:** Jill Watson. **Guests in Attendance:** Councilmen Ray Howard and City Attorney Sandy Hemmerlein.

Note: Gloria Buecher is no longer on the board; the school corporation is in the process of appointing a new board member.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Sylvia Metzger** moved, **Myra Schuetter** seconded the approval of the December 6, 2005, meeting. Motion passed 8-0.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The nominating committee comprised of Robin Norris, Don Weisheit, and Doug Abbett presented the following slate of officers to the Board for a one-year term: President, Mike Jones; Vice President, Don Weisheit, and Secretary-Treasurer, Jerry Gagne. There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved by **Don Routson** to close the nominations. **Myra Schuetter** seconded. Motion passed 8-0. It was approved by **Myra Schuetter** to accept the slate of officers presented by the nominating committee. **Don Routson** seconded. Motion passed 8-0. Newly elected president Mike Jones then presided over the remainder of the meeting.

**City Financial Statement**

**Don Weisheit** moved to approve the financial statement. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

**City Claims and Regional Partnership Grant Claims**

City claims in the amount of \$30,154.58 were presented. Regional Partnership Grant claims in the amount of \$1,200.00 were presented. After conclusion of discussion, it was moved by **Don Weisheit** to accept the claims as presented. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Visual Arts Report**

Kit reported.

- The visual arts reception held last month was very well attended.
- Kenneth Calvert's work is now in the gallery. He will be giving a gallery talk Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The second art lecture on Rene Magritte and Salvador Dali will be held in the gallery on January 15<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker will be Rachel Ray.
- The third art lecture on Dale Chihuly and L.C. Tiffany will be on February 5<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker will be Marta Hewett.
- Winter classes will begin the week of January 16<sup>th</sup>. All will be held at the satellite art space.

**Education Report**

Donna reported.

- National Players will be performing at Jasper High School on January 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. They will perform *Dracula* on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 2 performances on *Taming of the Shrew* on the 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Chapter 6 will be performing a concert for area middle school students on January 30 and conduct workshops for Jasper High School and Southridge High School choir students on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

- Darla and Donna will be going to New York the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Association of Performing Arts Presenters (APAP) conference.
- Kathleen Gaffney will be returning on February 23<sup>rd</sup> to offer profession development workshops for Jasper teachers as part of the Kennedy partnership.
- Dr. Vandeventer, along with Nancy Habig, Darla, and Donna, will be attending Kennedy Center training in Washington DC in February.

### **Building and Structures Report**

Doreen reported.

- The chiller has begun to leak. Repairs to it have been scheduled.
- The keyed door to the community room has also been repaired.
- Doreen will be hosting a lighting workshop on January 14<sup>th</sup>.
- There were approximately 180 volunteers that helped the arts center in 2005.

### **Region 11 Report**

Jill reported.

- The Region 11 Strategic and Regional plan was submitted to the Indiana Arts Commission.
- Jill will be offering three grant information meetings: January 9<sup>th</sup> at Loogootee Elementary School, January 17<sup>th</sup> at Patoka Elementary, English, and January 19<sup>th</sup> at Troop Elementary in Paoli.

### **Performing Arts Report**

Darla reported.

- JCAC along with ACT would like to present Missoula Children's Theatre again this summer. They are scheduled to perform *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. **Myra Schuetter** moved to approve Missoula's contract. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.
- The Chris Botti performance is sold out. The Southwest Indiana Chapter of the Indiana University Alumni Association will be sponsoring a "Meet Chris Botti Wine and Cheese Reception" before the performance. The cost is \$25/person. All proceeds will go to the Jasper Arts Center Renovation/Expansion Fund.
- Chapter 6 will be performing on January 26<sup>th</sup>. There are seats still available.
- Darla is still looking into having the JCAC logo put on shirts and other merchandise.
- There has been no new information received on the possibility of having a second Sandi Patty show.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Building Discussion**

Mike Jones reported.

- The building committee received the list of building concerns from Doreen. The list, which is extensive, will be prioritized.

### **New Business**

- Discussion was held concerning having a donor wall for the building. There could possibly be category limits set for the donations given.

### **Adjournment**

**Don Routson** made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:16pm, **Jerry Gagne** seconded. Motion passed 8-0. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday February 7, 2006, at 4:30 pm.

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Mike Jones – President

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Attested